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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 3748



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Pierre GINIES

Group Art Unit: 3748

Application No.: 10/689,985

Examiner: T. TRIEU

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Docket No.: 116491

For: GUIDE DEVICE FOR THE MOVABLE SCROLL OF A SCROLL COMPRESSOR

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the March 9, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-17 are pending. Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claim 11.

An Election of Species was required and Applicant elected Figs. 1-4. Claims 1-4, 8, 10-12 and 17 read on elected Figs. 1-4 and claim 1 remains generic to non-elected claims 5-7, 9 and 13-16. Rejoinder of the non-elected claims is thus requested when claim 1 is allowed.

Claims 1, 4, 8, 10, 12 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), and claims 2 and 3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over JP-A-02-157487 (JP'487). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

JP'487 fails to disclose a device for guiding a moveable scroll with a track that guides the moveable scroll, as recited in claim 1.